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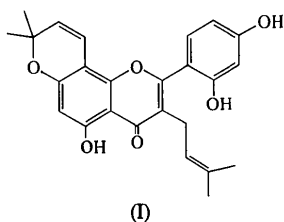
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Abstract

The structures of morusin, 2-(2,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-5-hydroxy-8,8-dimethyl-3-(3-methyl-2-butenyl)-4*H*,8*H*-benzo[1,2-*b*:3,4-*b'*]dipyran-4-one, C₂₅H₂₄O₆ (I), and morusin dimethyl ether, 2-(2,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-5-hydroxy-8,8-dimethyl-3-(3-methyl-2-butenyl)-4*H*,8*H*-benzo[1,2-*b*:3,4-*b'*]dipyran-4-one, C₂₇H₂₈O₆ (II), are reported. In compounds (I) and (II), the benzopyranone moiety is planar. The dihedral angles between the benzopyranone moiety and the phenyl ring are 66.25 (10) and 85.32 (5)°, respectively. When the dihydroxyphenyl [dimethoxyphenyl for (II)] and 3-methyl-2-butenyl groups are fixed in the same positions to the benzopyranone plane, the pyrano rings of (I) and (II) are enantiomeric.

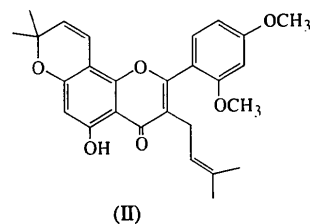
Comment

The photoreaction of the title compound [morusin: (I)] with a high-pressure mercury lamp gives the hydroperoxide with an ether linkage between an alkenyl group



at C3 and an hydroxyl group at C2' (Nomura, Fukai, Yamada & Katayanagi, 1977). Crystals of morusin (I) and its dimethyl ether (II) have been prepared so that the interaction between the above two functional groups participating in the formation of the ether linkage can be examined by X-ray diffraction.

The molecular structures of (I) and (II) are shown in Figs. 1 and 2, respectively. In both (I) and (II), the benzopyranone moieties are planar. The dihedral angles between the planes O1,C2,C3,C4,C10,C9 and C5,C6,C7,C8,C9,C10 are 1.7 (1) and 1.7 (2)° for (I)



and (II), respectively. The dihydroxyphenyl [dimethoxyphenyl for (II)] and 3-methyl-2-butenyl groups are not coplanar with the benzopyranone in either molecule; the torsion angles C3—C2—C1'—C2' and C4—C3—C11—C12 are 67.9 (4) and 74.3 (4), and 85.5 (2) and 96.4 (2)° in (I) and (II), respectively. The former values are comparable to those of 62.2 (1)° in 6-hydroxy-2',3'-dimethoxyflavone (Wallet, Gaydou, Mas, Molins & Miravittles, 1993) and 68.2° in 7-hydroxy-2',6'-dimethoxyflavone (Wallet, Gaydou, Espinosa, Osorno, Molins & Miravittles, 1992). One of the two methoxy groups in (II) is coplanar with the phenyl ring, as shown by the C5'—C4'—O4'—C8' torsion angle of -1.3 (3)°. The other is twisted slightly out of the plane [C3'—C2'—O2'—C7' = 10.9 (3)°]; this can be attributed to the steric hindrance between the methoxy and 3-methyl-2-butenyl groups. The puckering of the 1,3-diplanar pyrano rings of (I) and (II) is mirror related. This can be seen if the relative positions of the dihydroxyphenyl [dimethoxyphenyl for (II)] and 3-methyl-2-butenyl groups to the benzopyranone group are defined by torsion angles, *e.g.* O1—C2—C1'—C2' and C4—C3—C11—C12, with the same signs (— and ++) and C7,C8,C18,C17 plane are -0.164 (3) and 0.346 (7) Å in (I); the corresponding values for (II) are 0.163 (3) and -0.291 (4) Å, respectively.

In both molecules, intramolecular hydrogen bonding occurs between the hydroxyl- and ketonic-O atoms of the benzopyranone group. In the Figs. 1 and 2, the H

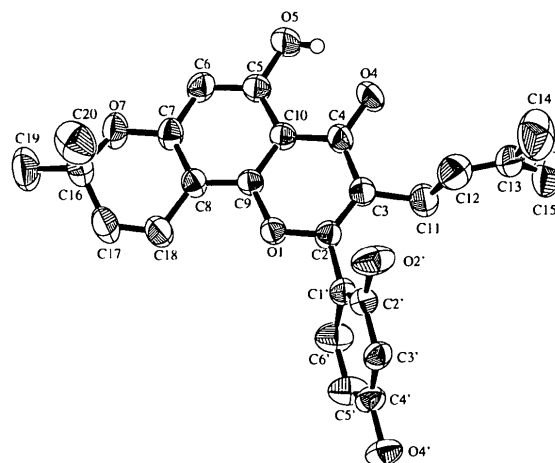


Fig. 1. The perspective drawing of morusin. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

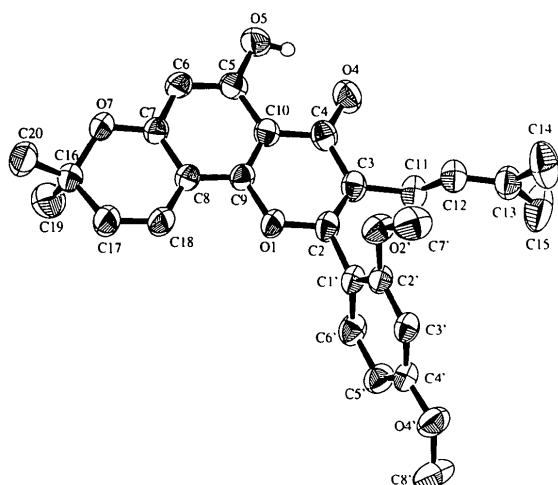


Fig. 2. The perspective drawing of morusin dimethyl ether. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level.

atom bonded to O5 has been included. The O4...O5 distances of 2.601 (3) and 2.581 (2) Å for (I) and (II), respectively, compare with the values of 2.612 (5) Å reported for hymanoxin (Watson, Kashyap, Gao & Mabry, 1991) and 2.580 (2) Å reported for centaureidin (Fronczek, Parodi & Fischer, 1989).

Experimental

Compound (I) was isolated from *Morus alba* Linne and (II) was synthesized by the etherification of morusin

Compound (I)

Crystal data

C₂₅H₂₄O₆

M_r = 420.44

Monoclinic

*P*2₁/*c*

a = 11.0672 (8) Å

b = 17.6850 (12) Å

c = 12.0475 (8) Å

β = 111.945 (5)°

V = 2187.1 (3) Å³

Z = 4

D_x = 1.277 Mg m⁻³

Cu *K*α radiation

λ = 1.54180 Å

Cell parameters from 25 reflections

θ = 57–60°

μ = 0.748 mm⁻¹

T = 293 (2) K

Prism

0.4 × 0.4 × 0.2 mm

Colourless

Data collection

Rigaku AFC-6 four-circle

diffractometer

Profile data from ω–2θ scans

Absorption correction:

none

3463 measured reflections

3463 independent reflections

2639 observed reflections

[*I* > 2σ(*I*)]

θ_{max} = 62.49°

h = 0 → 12

k = 0 → 20

l = –13 → 12

3 standard reflections

monitored every 100

reflections

intensity decay: none

Refinement

Refinement on *F*²

R [*F*² > 2σ(*F*²)] = 0.0605

wR (*F*²) = 0.1848

S = 0.778

3463 reflections

287 parameters

H-atom parameters not

refined

w = 1/[σ²(*F_o*²) + (0.1678*P*)²

+ 2.4812*P*]

where *P* = (*F_o*² + 2*F_c*²)/3

(Δ/σ)_{max} = –0.022

Δρ_{max} = 0.601 e Å⁻³

Δρ_{min} = –0.274 e Å⁻³

Extinction correction: none

Atomic scattering factors

from *International Tables*

for *Crystallography* (1992),

Vol. C, Tables 4.2.6.8 and

6.1.1.4)

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å²) for (I)

$$U_{eq} = (1/3)\sum_i\sum_j U_{ij}a_i^*a_j^*a_i\cdot a_j$$

| | <i>x</i> | <i>y</i> | <i>z</i> | <i>U_{eq}</i> |
|-----|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| O1 | 0.3324 (2) | 0.13461 (10) | –0.0365 (2) | 0.0452 (5) |
| C2 | 0.2230 (3) | 0.1162 (2) | –0.1318 (2) | 0.0449 (7) |
| C3 | 0.1721 (3) | 0.0462 (2) | –0.1496 (3) | 0.0518 (8) |
| C4 | 0.2310 (3) | –0.0118 (2) | –0.0608 (3) | 0.0502 (7) |
| O4 | 0.1835 (2) | –0.07745 (12) | –0.0695 (2) | 0.0690 (7) |
| C5 | 0.4215 (3) | –0.0448 (2) | 0.1248 (3) | 0.0516 (8) |
| O5 | 0.3826 (3) | –0.11763 (12) | 0.1187 (2) | 0.0754 (8) |
| C6 | 0.5313 (3) | –0.0221 (2) | 0.2198 (3) | 0.0547 (8) |
| C7 | 0.5693 (3) | 0.0531 (2) | 0.2279 (3) | 0.0487 (7) |
| C8 | 0.5060 (3) | 0.1064 (2) | 0.1415 (3) | 0.0462 (7) |
| C9 | 0.3960 (3) | 0.08153 (15) | 0.0469 (2) | 0.0416 (6) |
| C10 | 0.3493 (3) | 0.0075 (2) | 0.0364 (2) | 0.0437 (7) |
| C1′ | 0.1750 (3) | 0.1828 (2) | –0.2104 (3) | 0.0470 (7) |
| C2′ | 0.0565 (3) | 0.2177 (2) | –0.2267 (3) | 0.0499 (7) |
| O2′ | –0.0244 (3) | 0.1940 (2) | –0.1727 (3) | 0.0844 (9) |
| C3′ | 0.0143 (3) | 0.2795 (2) | –0.3020 (3) | 0.0513 (7) |
| C4′ | 0.0890 (3) | 0.3066 (2) | –0.3609 (3) | 0.0515 (8) |
| O4′ | 0.0507 (3) | 0.36732 (12) | –0.4381 (2) | 0.0647 (7) |
| C5′ | 0.2078 (4) | 0.2736 (2) | –0.3455 (4) | 0.0721 (10) |
| C6′ | 0.2503 (4) | 0.2132 (2) | –0.2690 (3) | 0.0671 (10) |
| C11 | 0.0657 (3) | 0.0245 (2) | –0.2659 (3) | 0.0615 (9) |
| C12 | –0.0619 (4) | 0.0082 (2) | –0.2591 (4) | 0.0739 (10) |
| C13 | –0.1596 (3) | –0.0314 (2) | –0.3411 (3) | 0.0688 (10) |
| C14 | –0.2853 (5) | –0.0400 (4) | –0.3265 (5) | 0.121 (2) |
| C15 | –0.1539 (4) | –0.0658 (3) | –0.4485 (4) | 0.101 (2) |
| O7 | 0.6775 (2) | 0.07265 (13) | 0.3238 (2) | 0.0633 (6) |
| C16 | 0.6929 (3) | 0.1526 (2) | 0.3620 (3) | 0.0652 (9) |
| C17 | 0.6512 (3) | 0.2030 (2) | 0.2552 (3) | 0.0675 (10) |
| C18 | 0.5600 (3) | 0.1823 (2) | 0.1533 (3) | 0.0594 (8) |
| C19 | 0.8365 (4) | 0.1595 (3) | 0.4358 (5) | 0.100 (2) |
| C20 | 0.6091 (5) | 0.1653 (3) | 0.4342 (5) | 0.102 (2) |

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °) for (I)

| | | | |
|--------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| O1—C9 | 1.363 (3) | C1′—C6′ | 1.386 (4) |
| O1—C2 | 1.360 (3) | C1′—C2′ | 1.395 (5) |
| C2—C3 | 1.344 (4) | C2′—O2′ | 1.355 (4) |
| C2—C1′ | 1.480 (4) | C2′—C3′ | 1.385 (4) |
| C3—C4 | 1.448 (4) | C3′—C4′ | 1.363 (4) |
| C3—C11 | 1.505 (4) | C4′—O4′ | 1.379 (4) |
| C4—O4 | 1.262 (4) | C4′—C5′ | 1.386 (5) |
| C4—C10 | 1.434 (4) | C5′—C6′ | 1.374 (5) |
| C5—O5 | 1.352 (4) | C11—C12 | 1.474 (5) |
| C5—C6 | 1.381 (4) | C12—C13 | 1.355 (5) |
| C5—C10 | 1.412 (4) | C13—C15 | 1.451 (6) |
| C6—C7 | 1.388 (4) | C13—C14 | 1.475 (6) |
| C7—O7 | 1.362 (4) | O7—C16 | 1.476 (4) |
| C7—C8 | 1.384 (4) | C16—C17 | 1.490 (5) |
| C8—C9 | 1.391 (4) | C16—C20 | 1.508 (6) |
| C8—C18 | 1.455 (4) | C16—C19 | 1.508 (5) |
| C9—C10 | 1.395 (4) | C17—C18 | 1.316 (5) |

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|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| C9—O1—C2 | 120.6 (2) | C6'—C1'—C2' | 118.0 (3) |
| C3—C2—O1 | 122.9 (3) | C6'—C1'—C2' | 119.6 (3) |
| C3—C2—C1' | 127.0 (3) | C2'—C1'—C2 | 122.4 (3) |
| O1—C2—C1' | 110.1 (2) | O2'—C2'—C3' | 115.9 (3) |
| C2—C3—C4 | 119.3 (3) | O2'—C2'—C1' | 123.5 (3) |
| C2—C3—C11 | 121.3 (3) | C3'—C2'—C1' | 120.6 (3) |
| C4—C3—C11 | 119.1 (3) | C2'—C3'—C4' | 119.8 (3) |
| O4—C4—C10 | 120.8 (3) | O4'—C4'—C3' | 122.1 (3) |
| O4—C4—C3 | 122.1 (3) | O4'—C4'—C5' | 117.1 (3) |
| C10—C4—C3 | 117.1 (3) | C3'—C4'—C5' | 120.8 (3) |
| O5—C5—C6 | 119.0 (3) | C4'—C5'—C6' | 119.2 (3) |
| O5—C5—C10 | 120.3 (3) | C5'—C6'—C1' | 121.5 (3) |
| C6—C5—C10 | 120.7 (3) | C12—C11—C3 | 115.5 (3) |
| C7—C6—C5 | 119.0 (3) | C13—C12—C11 | 125.5 (4) |
| O7—C7—C8 | 120.2 (3) | C12—C13—C15 | 125.3 (4) |
| O7—C7—C6 | 116.7 (3) | C12—C13—C14 | 119.8 (4) |
| C8—C7—C6 | 123.0 (3) | C15—C13—C14 | 114.9 (4) |
| C7—C8—C9 | 116.3 (3) | C7—O7—C16 | 118.0 (2) |
| C7—C8—C18 | 118.7 (3) | O7—C16—C17 | 110.0 (3) |
| C9—C8—C18 | 125.0 (3) | O7—C16—C20 | 107.3 (3) |
| O1—C9—C10 | 120.5 (2) | C17—C16—C20 | 110.5 (3) |
| O1—C9—C8 | 116.1 (2) | O7—C16—C19 | 103.6 (3) |
| C10—C9—C8 | 123.5 (3) | C17—C16—C19 | 112.2 (3) |
| C9—C10—C5 | 117.4 (3) | C20—C16—C19 | 112.8 (4) |
| C9—C10—C4 | 119.5 (3) | C18—C17—C16 | 121.4 (3) |
| C5—C10—C4 | 123.1 (3) | C17—C18—C8 | 119.4 (3) |

Compound (II)*Crystal data*C₂₇H₂₈O₆ $M_r = 448.49$

Triclinic

 $P\bar{1}$ $a = 11.326 (2) \text{ \AA}$ $b = 11.806 (2) \text{ \AA}$ $c = 9.688 (2) \text{ \AA}$ $\alpha = 99.87 (2)^\circ$ $\beta = 103.31 (2)^\circ$ $\gamma = 105.73 (1)^\circ$ $V = 1175.0 (4) \text{ \AA}^3$ $Z = 2$ $D_x = 1.268 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ *Data collection*

Rigaku AFC-6 four-circle diffractometer

Profile data from ω - 2θ scans

Absorption correction:

none

3712 measured reflections

3712 independent reflections

3265 observed reflections

 $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$ *Refinement*Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.0495$ $wR(F^2) = 0.1422$ $S = 0.693$

3712 reflections

321 parameters

H-atom parameters not refined

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.1507P)^2 + 0.5679P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ Cu $K\alpha$ radiation $\lambda = 1.54180 \text{ \AA}$

Cell parameters from 25 reflections

 $\theta = 59\text{--}60^\circ$ $\mu = 0.727 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ $T = 293 (2) \text{ K}$

Plate

 $0.4 \times 0.4 \times 0.3 \text{ mm}$

Orange

 $\theta_{\max} = 62.49^\circ$ $h = -12 \rightarrow 13$ $k = -13 \rightarrow 13$ $l = -11 \rightarrow 10$

3 standard reflections

monitored every 100

reflections

intensity decay: none

 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = -0.032$ $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.242 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$ $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.380 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

Extinction correction: none

Atomic scattering factors from *International Tables for Crystallography* (1992, Vol. C, Tables 4.2.6.8 and 6.1.1.4)Table 3. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (\AA^2) for (II)
$$U_{eq} = (1/3)\sum_i\sum_j U_{ij}a_i^*a_j^*a_i\cdot a_j$$

| | x | y | z | U_{eq} |
|-----|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| O1 | 0.86515 (10) | 0.73563 (10) | 0.60875 (12) | 0.0454 (3) |
| C2 | 0.9886 (2) | 0.74042 (14) | 0.6719 (2) | 0.0448 (4) |
| C3 | 1.0585 (2) | 0.69261 (15) | 0.5988 (2) | 0.0470 (4) |
| C4 | 1.0044 (2) | 0.63754 (15) | 0.4426 (2) | 0.0479 (4) |
| O4 | 1.06682 (13) | 0.59520 (13) | 0.3679 (2) | 0.0649 (4) |
| C5 | 0.8107 (2) | 0.58130 (15) | 0.2257 (2) | 0.0466 (4) |
| O5 | 0.87243 (13) | 0.53502 (13) | 0.13813 (14) | 0.0600 (4) |
| C6 | 0.6862 (2) | 0.5762 (2) | 0.1679 (2) | 0.0480 (4) |
| C7 | 0.6230 (2) | 0.62290 (15) | 0.2584 (2) | 0.0441 (4) |
| C8 | 0.6818 (2) | 0.67796 (14) | 0.4079 (2) | 0.0429 (4) |
| C9 | 0.8077 (2) | 0.68113 (14) | 0.4626 (2) | 0.0412 (4) |
| C10 | 0.8750 (2) | 0.63400 (14) | 0.3770 (2) | 0.0436 (4) |
| C1' | 1.0336 (2) | 0.80509 (15) | 0.8292 (2) | 0.0451 (4) |
| C2' | 1.10261 (15) | 0.92985 (15) | 0.8725 (2) | 0.0445 (4) |
| O2' | 1.11674 (13) | 0.98447 (11) | 0.76139 (13) | 0.0567 (4) |
| C3' | 1.1500 (2) | 0.9898 (2) | 1.0187 (2) | 0.0479 (4) |
| C4' | 1.1282 (2) | 0.9268 (2) | 1.1239 (2) | 0.0491 (4) |
| O4' | 1.17954 (14) | 0.99620 (13) | 1.26450 (14) | 0.0647 (4) |
| C5' | 1.0596 (2) | 0.8044 (2) | 1.0839 (2) | 0.0552 (5) |
| C6' | 1.0125 (2) | 0.7451 (2) | 0.9360 (2) | 0.0535 (5) |
| C7' | 1.2027 (2) | 1.1046 (2) | 0.7989 (3) | 0.0737 (6) |
| C8' | 1.1596 (3) | 0.9401 (3) | 1.3790 (2) | 0.0875 (8) |
| O7 | 0.50207 (11) | 0.62058 (12) | 0.19378 (12) | 0.0543 (3) |
| C11 | 1.1924 (2) | 0.6973 (2) | 0.6742 (2) | 0.0560 (5) |
| C12 | 1.2939 (2) | 0.8154 (2) | 0.6916 (2) | 0.0552 (5) |
| C13 | 1.4149 (2) | 0.8469 (2) | 0.7652 (2) | 0.0604 (5) |
| C14 | 1.5087 (2) | 0.9670 (2) | 0.7747 (4) | 0.0938 (9) |
| C15 | 1.4704 (2) | 0.7647 (3) | 0.8408 (4) | 0.1028 (10) |
| C16 | 0.4149 (2) | 0.6295 (2) | 0.2837 (2) | 0.0511 (4) |
| C17 | 0.4882 (2) | 0.7143 (2) | 0.4319 (2) | 0.0592 (5) |
| C18 | 0.6120 (2) | 0.7340 (2) | 0.4911 (2) | 0.0528 (5) |
| C19 | 0.3520 (2) | 0.5038 (2) | 0.2980 (3) | 0.0753 (6) |
| C20 | 0.3187 (2) | 0.6779 (2) | 0.1986 (2) | 0.0676 (6) |

Table 4. Selected geometric parameters (\AA , $^\circ$) for (II)

| | | | |
|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| O1—C2 | 1.373 (2) | C1'—C2' | 1.403 (2) |
| O1—C9 | 1.370 (2) | C2'—O2' | 1.364 (2) |
| C2—C3 | 1.345 (3) | C2'—C3' | 1.377 (2) |
| C2—C1' | 1.482 (2) | O2'—C7' | 1.415 (2) |
| C3—C4 | 1.452 (3) | C3'—C4' | 1.388 (3) |
| C3—C11 | 1.506 (2) | C4'—O4' | 1.364 (2) |
| C4—O4 | 1.256 (2) | C4'—C5' | 1.379 (3) |
| C4—C10 | 1.444 (2) | O4'—C8' | 1.416 (3) |
| C5—O5 | 1.353 (2) | C5'—C6' | 1.389 (3) |
| C5—C6 | 1.372 (3) | O7—C16 | 1.471 (2) |
| C5—C10 | 1.420 (2) | C11—C12 | 1.502 (3) |
| C6—C7 | 1.386 (2) | C12—C13 | 1.307 (3) |
| C7—O7 | 1.359 (2) | C13—C14 | 1.497 (3) |
| C7—C8 | 1.401 (2) | C13—C15 | 1.496 (3) |
| C8—C9 | 1.390 (2) | C16—C17 | 1.503 (2) |
| C8—C18 | 1.451 (3) | C16—C19 | 1.507 (3) |
| C9—C10 | 1.393 (2) | C16—C20 | 1.510 (3) |
| C1'—C6' | 1.379 (3) | C17—C18 | 1.325 (3) |
| C2—O1—C9 | 119.6 (1) | C6'—C1'—C2 | 121.7 (2) |
| C3—C2—O1 | 123.7 (2) | C2'—C1'—C2 | 119.8 (2) |
| C3—C2—C1' | 125.1 (2) | O2'—C2'—C3' | 124.1 (2) |
| O1—C2—C1' | 111.1 (1) | O2'—C2'—C1' | 115.6 (2) |
| C2—C3—C4 | 119.1 (2) | C3'—C2'—C1' | 120.3 (2) |
| C2—C3—C11 | 121.7 (2) | C2'—O2'—C7' | 117.7 (2) |
| C4—C3—C11 | 119.2 (2) | C2'—C3'—C4' | 119.8 (2) |
| O4—C4—C10 | 121.5 (2) | O4'—C4'—C5' | 124.9 (2) |
| O4—C4—C3 | 121.9 (2) | O4'—C4'—C3' | 114.3 (2) |
| C10—C4—C3 | 116.6 (2) | C5'—C4'—C3' | 120.8 (2) |
| O5—C5—C6 | 119.8 (2) | C4'—O4'—C8' | 118.2 (2) |
| O5—C5—C10 | 119.7 (2) | C4'—C5'—C6' | 118.7 (2) |
| C6—C5—C10 | 120.6 (2) | C5'—C6'—C1' | 121.8 (2) |
| C5—C6—C7 | 119.5 (2) | C7—O7—C16 | 119.4 (1) |
| O7—C7—C6 | 116.9 (2) | C12—C11—C3 | 114.1 (2) |
| O7—C7—C8 | 120.3 (2) | C13—C12—C11 | 126.1 (2) |

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| C6—C7—C8 | 122.6 (2) | C12—C13—C14 | 121.9 (2) |
| C9—C8—C7 | 116.2 (2) | C12—C13—C15 | 122.7 (2) |
| C9—C8—C18 | 125.0 (2) | C14—C13—C15 | 115.4 (2) |
| C7—C8—C18 | 118.7 (2) | O7—C16—C17 | 110.2 (1) |
| O1—C9—C8 | 116.0 (2) | O7—C16—C19 | 108.0 (2) |
| O1—C9—C10 | 120.5 (2) | C17—C16—C19 | 110.7 (2) |
| C8—C9—C10 | 123.5 (2) | O7—C16—C20 | 104.7 (2) |
| C9—C10—C5 | 117.6 (2) | C17—C16—C20 | 111.5 (2) |
| C9—C10—C4 | 120.3 (2) | C19—C16—C20 | 111.5 (2) |
| C5—C10—C4 | 122.1 (2) | C18—C17—C16 | 122.1 (2) |
| C6'—C1'—C2' | 118.5 (2) | C17—C18—C8 | 119.5 (2) |

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1-Benzoyl-3-(4-nitrophenyl)thiourea

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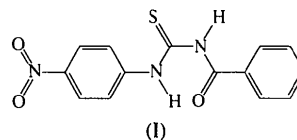
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Abstract

In the molecules of the title compound, C₁₄H₁₁N₃O₃S, there is an intramolecular N—H···O hydrogen bond [2.635 (3) Å] between the amide N and benzoyl O atoms which completes a nearly planar six-membered ring in the central part of the molecule. The benzene rings of the benzoyl and nitrophenyl moieties form angles of 30.5 (4) and 35.7 (4)°, respectively, with the plane of this hydrogen-bonded ring. In the crystal, molecules are connected into infinite zigzag chains by N—H···O bonds and these chains are linked across centres of symmetry by weak N—H···S interactions, thus forming a two-dimensional network. Van der Waals interactions between layers lead to a crystal structure with one very short axis (4 Å).

Comment

During our systematic search for non-linear optical organic crystals having a short cut-off wavelength, we isolated the title compound, (I).



Since we do not have access to the Cambridge Structural Database (Allen *et al.*, 1979), a literature search was carried out on compounds of the type R¹C₆H₄—CO—NH—CS—NH—C₆H₄R². The structure determination of one similar compound was found with R¹ = Cl and R² = H (Dago, Simonov, Pobedimskaya, Martin & Masias, 1988), which has bond lengths and angles in close agreement with those of the present determination. An N(2)—H···O(1) intramolecular hydrogen bond [2.635 (3) Å] completes an almost planar six-membered ring with atoms C(1), N(1) and C(8); the maximum deviation from the best plane of the five non-H atoms is 0.014 (2) Å and the S atom is 0.104 (2) Å out of the plane (Fig. 1). The NO₂ group is twisted by 10.0 (4)° from the plane of the benzene ring to which it is attached.